

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Electrical Examiners
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware PSC Hearing Room , first floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	May 2, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert MacLennan, President, Professional Member
Daniel Creedon, Vice-President, Professional Member
Jack King, Continuing Education Officer, Professional Member
Nathan Schreppler, Board Secretary, Public Member
Thomas Hartley, Professional Member
Frank Beebe, Public Member
Richard Millar, Public Member
Bobby Murrian, Professional Member
William Poore, Public Member

ABSENT

There were no members absent.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

James Collins, Director
Kay Warren, Deputy Director
Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General
Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II
Juli LaBadia, Court Reporter

OTHERS PRESENT

Frank Tyler
David Potter
Larry Little
Chester Kelly
James Mann
Brad Derby
James Timmons, Sr.
Bruce Honaker
Duane Fox, Jr.
Nick Fedirko
Jack Koch
Ed Loomis
Ed Krull
Joe Williams
Doug Drummond
Cheryl Heiks
Charles Lansinger
Dan Delcollo
Ed Capodanno

Dave Gordon
Walter Brittingham
John Souder
Dominic Ryan
Bill Tidaback
Henry Dudiek
Burt Betts
Chris Henley
Robert Smith

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. MacLennan called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and advised that the Board would continue reviewing applications.

The agenda was amended to add 4.11 Review of Consent Agreement and 4.8.9 Joseph Banks-Journeyman Electrician.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A correct to the agenda was made to reflect the approval of minutes from March 7, 2012 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2012 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Deny Hearing – Charles Lansinger III

The hearing went on record at 9:17a.m.

Mr. Stevenson introduced the purpose of today's hearing was the proposal to deny the Master Electrician application of Charles Lansinger III.

The Board members were introduced.

Mr. Stevenson had marked as Board's Exhibit 1 a packet of documents including an application for licensure as a Master Electrician by Reciprocity, certificate of liability insurance, letter from Stephen Kullman, tax documents from 2005-2008, and 2010, verification of licensure from Maryland, Decision and Order signed June 6, 2007, certificates of completion from continuing education courses, proposal to deny letter and signed green USPS card, Mr. Lansinger's request for a hearing, notice of today's hearing and signed green USPS card.

Mr. Lansinger was sworn in and agreed to proceed without legal counsel.

Mr. Lansinger testified that he is here today to ask for the Boards forgiveness. He is from Maryland where continuing education is not enforced and he failed to complete this requirement for Delaware. He added that he since has completed the continuing education requirement and he submitted those documents with his application.

Mr. MacLennan advised Mr. Lansinger that the continuing education courses he has provided with his application may be used to rectify the deficiency from the renewal period he was revoked, but he may not use them going forward.

Mr. Stevenson asked Mr. Lansinger if he was licensed in other states. Mr. Lansinger stated that he was licensed in Maryland and he had a Delaware license up until it was revoked.

There were no further questions for Mr. Lansinger.

There was no additional testimony from Mr. Lansinger.

The hearing went off record and into deliberations.

The hearing went back on record at 9:27 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. King, to approve the Master Electrical application of Charles Lansinger III. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Verbatim testimony was taken by a court reporter.

Re-Review of Applications

After review of additional documentation, a motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to approve the Journeyman Electrician application of William Cannon. The motion was unanimously carried.

Signing Decision and Orders

The Board signed the Decision and Order from the Proposal to Deny hearing of William Noble.

New Business

Review of Examination Results

The Board reviewed the examination results that showed out of nine candidates only three had passing scores: Master Electrical: Nicholas Taylor, Limited Electrical: Andrew Abe and Douglas Hinkle.

Review of Examination Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Poore, to approve the Master Electrical examination applications of Erik Truxon, Brandon Ksiazek, Richard Deighan, Jamal Truesdale, Anatoligs, Charles Malewski and Jeffrey Perez, the Limited Electrical examination applications of Michael Wilson, Charles Mann, Christopher Collins, John Schatzschneider III, and Richard DiGuardi, the Master Special Electrical examination applications of Daniel Boyle and Dominic Ryan, and the Limited Special Electrical examination application of Dennis Mose. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Poore, to propose to deny the Master Electrical examination application of Michael Nicolaides for lack of experience. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Poore, to table the Master Electrical examination application of David Winberry for additional tax form W2's. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Poore, to table the Master Electrical examination application of Raymond Stachnick for verification of six years of experience under the supervision of a Master Electrician. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Master Electrical applications of Dang-Ky Truong, George Mergler, Thomas Green, Gerald Morris, and Charles Baumgartner. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Master Electrical applications of Chad Botner and Richard Wagner contingent upon the receipt of additional tax form W2's. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Master Electrical application of Chris Johnson contingent upon receipt of verification of Maryland licensure. The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratification of Journeyperson

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Journeyperson applications of Russell Pfalter, Steven Winters, Matthew Kelly, Ralph Raymond, Kevin Brawley, Dennis Spencer, Brian Sands, Michael Carbine, Joseph Dabrowski, Jr., Mason Denny, Scott Hadaway, Michael Costanzo, George Groseclose, Vito Matarese, Jr., Matthew Oakes, William Semans, Alvin Neal, Norman Bunting, Jr., John Martin, Dominic Romeo, Ryan Wade, David Hazzard, Douglas Blizzard, Ronnie Geesman, William Granato, William Hibbert, Eric Timmons, Thomas LeNoir, Jessica Mazewski, Antony Padilla, Charles Thompson III, Kevin Street, Timothy Tharp, George Mehaffey, John Gregg, Anatolijs Bazinov, Anthony Fardoulis, Wilberto Arman, Donald Amoroso, John Hazzard, Jake Porter, Jeffrey Megonigal, Thomas Hutchinson, Jr., Daniel Kurtz, Jose Casillas, Glenn Stevens, Andrew Fodi, Jr., Bryan King, Dennis Pokrywka, John Catherman, Jr., Michael Crosby, Karl Wilkerson, Douglas Patterson, Michael Murphy, Matthew Cox, Benjamin Price, Michael Wooleyhand, Thomas Corona, Paul Roth, John Hoopengardner, Kevin Cowser, Roger Williams, Milton Davidson, Jr., Erik Wollenberg, Wayne Alexander, Robert Carrasco, Bryan Davidson, Joseph McBride, Daniel Capano, John Walsh, Joseph Noble, Jr., Philip Scully, Steven Jones, Gabriel Ross, Stephen Higbee, Gregory Sterling, Justin Price, Daniel Morean, Mark Adams, Douglas Mais, Vsevolod Husar, Russell Kachmar, Norman Dennis, Brian VanDrunen, Eric Zerhusen, Wayne Comegys, Charles Sinclair, Kevin Truitt, Harvey Janvier, Jr., James Street, Danny Savina, William Wilson, Bryan DeMaris, George Brewington, IV, Robert Jones, Roger Scorziello, Eric Kalnas, Anthony Boffa, Steven Dick, Ronald Christopher, Glen League, Eugene Stewart, David Caldwell, Henry Bolton, Charles Liskey, Carmen Troilo, Dale Wolf, Michael Wilson, Matthew Creek, Don Smith, Joshua Rash, Edward Lafferty, Joseph Wegarz, Paul McCullin, Kevin Joyce, Norman Crowe, Joseph Wiseman, Stephen Lipscomb, Clifton Carkin, Jr., Jeffery Caricchio, Stephen Mills, Thoman Caudill, Douglas Ware, Mark Newman, Bruce Rutter, Gilbert Lewis, Michael Graham, James

Gray, James Hall, Jr., Justin McClure, Garey Brown, Jeffrey Wood, Aron Bitner, Frank Lindell, Jr., Glen Palm, Charles Keen, David Pipher, Mark Fields, Theodore Lindell, Michael Crouse, Glenn Fuddy, Barry Richards, Carl Horkey, David Wimbrow, Willard Barrowclough, Tony Aiello, Thomas Nycz, Francis Ward, Frank Fiori, Walter Lee, Jr., James Whitaker, Clay Hastings, Richard Gilewski, Daniel Thompson, Bayley Murray, William Kelley, Nicholas Aloï, Steve Klinefelter, Karl Schmitt, Daniel Watson, Steward Seiple, Martin DeWalt III, Walter Dalecki, Daniel Maccari, James Dolde, Roger Cohee, Scott Zalewski, Rodger Pearce, Michael Mocarsky, Eric Lewis, Earl Ridley, Joanna Surdel, Thomas Hines, Brian Hobson, Larry Wiseman, Scott Klecan, James Skaggs, Ernest Skaggs III, Jayson Bundy, James Marsden II, Michael Watson, John Mitchell, Robert Moore, John Schnatterer, Richard Marsden, Richard Foreman, Charles Henrich, Arthur DeLillio, Christopher Betts, Stanley Mlynarski, James Meginniss III, Paul Tyre, Bryan Jones, Jeffrey Nagyiski, Richard Cheesman, Stanley Rydlewski, Andrew Johnson, Michael Crescenzo, Joseph Peeke, Ryan Walter, Richard Schmitt, and Steven Janvier. The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratification of Apprentice Applications

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Poore, to approve the Apprentice Electrician applications of Allen Schrum, Kenneth Hobartm, Joseph Bands III, Mark Kuykendall, Jason Schultz, Tyler Knotts, Willard Hamby, Anthony Clark and Robert Miller. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the following continuing education courses as follows:

Bay Area Inspection Agency

-2012 NEC Continuing Education Class, 5 hours

Krannich Solar, Inc.

-5 Day Entry Level PV Design and Installation Course, 6 hours

-1 Day Solar PV Site Assessment Seminar, 4 hours

National Technology Transfer

-Troubleshooting Electrical Control Circuits, 10 hours

-NFPA 70E/Arc Flash Electrical Safety with Intro to Arc Flash Analysis, 10 hours

-NFPA 70E/Arc F.E. Safety for Power Generators, Transmissions and Distribution, 10 hours

-NFPA 70E/Arc Flash Electrical Safety, 10 hours

-High Voltage Electrical Safety for Power Generators, Transmissions and Distribution, 10 hours

-2011 National Electric Code, 10 hours

-Industrial Electricity: Basics and Troubleshooting, 10 hours

-Grounding and Bonding, 10 hours

-NFPA 70E/Arc FRIash Electrical Safety, 10 hours

-NFPA 70E/Arc Flash Electrical Safety Awareness,6 hours

Construction Workforce Training Center

-2012 NEC Review & Update, 10 hours

International Assoc. of Electrical Inspectors (IAEI)-Chesapeake Chapter

-2011 NEC Article 625: Electrical Vehicle Charging System, 2 hours

Rumsey Electric Company

- Overcurrent Protection, 2 hours
- Safety Basics, 1 hour
- Selective Coordination, 2 hours

Robert C. Auer, Jr.

- NEC 2011 Code Changes: Part 1, 5 hours
- NEC 2011 Code Changes: Part 2, 5 hours

Frank Caniglia

- Branch Circuits, Feeder Circuits, Services, 5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

Applications for Review-Danny Stevenson

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. King, to approve the Journeyman Electrician applications of Gary Guseman, James Wills, Paul Marshall, Luis Velez, Jeffrey Marvel, George Dougherty, Anthony Walls, and Mark Keister, the Apprentice Electrician application of Sean McLaughlin, and the Master Electrician application of Victor Macy. The motion was unanimously carried.

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. King, to propose to deny the Master Electrical examination application of Dante Bockhorn for administrative penalties on his Limited Electrical Delaware license. The motion was unanimously carried.

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. King, to propose to deny the Journeyman Electrician application of Christopher Henley and the Apprentice Electrician application of Maurice Barnes for criminal convictions. The motion was unanimously carried.

Complaints Open/Closed

01-04-09-Closed
01-01-11-Assigned to Hearing Officer
01-03-11-Assigned
01-04-11-Assigned
01-07-11-Assigned
01-08-11-Forwarded to AG's Office
01-01-12-Assigned
01-02-12-Assigned
01-03-12-Assigned
01-04-12-Assigned

Applications for Review by the Board

After review, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Murrian, to approve the Journeyman Electrician applications of Paul Wahl, Jr., Brian Carroll, Robert Bryant, and Joseph Volvy pending receipt of additional documentation. The motion was unanimously carried.

After review, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Murrian, to table the Journeyman Electrician applications of Steven Cichoski, Russell Pfaller, Joseph Banks, and Robert Gedney for additional documentation. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Murrian, to propose to deny the Journeyman Electrician application of John Jackson for lack of experience under the supervision of a Master Electrician. The motion was unanimously carried.

Discussion of the Proposed Rules and Regulations

The Board reviewed the proposed Rules and Regulations that will be submitted to the Register of Regulations for a June 6, 2012 public hearing.

Mr. Fox, with the State Fire Marshall Office, stated that they do not do battery calculations for fire alarms they only verify and that these are not inspected.

Mr. Collins verified with Mr. Fox that he was in approval of the language in the proposed rules and regulations where the State Fire Marshall was concerned.

Mr. MacLennan added that he has been in discussion with the State Fire Marshall Office and an inspection is needed for fire alarms and it was determined that only a few months will be needed to notify of this required inspection.

Mr. Brittingham asked if there will be two inspections.

Mr. MacLennan stated that there will be both a rough-in and final inspection made.

Mr. Brittingham asked that it be stated for the record that he believes that the Board does not have the right to regulate an unlicensed person and feels that 12.11 of the rules and regulations needs some work.

The Board made a revision to the proposed 10.1.8 to add “high voltage certified testing agency.”

The Board added 10.1.10 to the list of exceptions to include persons working for the organization Habitat for Humanity.

The Board also added 10.1.11 to the list of exceptions to include factory-trained installers.

There was a discussion on the installation of solar panels and it was stated that the installation of them needs to be performed by a licensed person.

Mr. Capodanno asked how the students in the vocational schools who co-op will be treated under this new Bill.

Mr. King advised that the students in all three counties can co-op under the age of 18 which is written into the law and our Apprentice program should not be confused with the regulations for the Department of Labor. Mr. King added that the schools will not send out Apprentices without licenses.

There were questions as to the process leading up to a rules and regulations hearing.

Mr. Collins advised that the Board will hold public workshops to develop the rules and regulations to support the law. The attorney will finalize the draft document and submit it to the Register of Regulations. There is a timeframe of 30 days to allow for public comment. A hearing will be held which is open to the public and advertised in two newspapers of the date and

location. The Board will decide during the hearing if there will be substantial changes that need to be made to the rules and regulations.

Mr. Gordon asked how the draft changes become just that.

Mr. MacLennan stated that the Board researches the information.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. King, to accept the changes made to the draft rules and regulations and to have them submitted to the Register of Regulations. The motion was unanimously carried.

Discussion on Licensing Master Special Elevator License

Ed Krull, with National Elevator Industry Educational Program, started the discussion by applauding the Board for the measures of safety that they are trying to impose on the electrical professionals. They have found that the rate of injury is extremely high in the states that do not enforce safety measures.

National Elevator Educational Program has around 26,000 members within 50 states. They provide 22 continuing education courses and over 392 hours of training.

The Board asked about fatalities in the industry.

Mr. Krull stated that they have seen great spikes in both New York and New Jersey in the last two months.

The Board asked the Division of Professional Regulation to grant them the authority to approve Elevator Licensees to sit for the Master Special Electrical Exam.

Mr. Collins granted the Board approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Poore, to accept this authority. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Consent Agreement

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to accept and approve the Consent Agreement for Christian Willey. The motion was unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the Delaware Alarm Association in reference to their concerns regarding the implementation of House Bill 180.

A letter was also received from Dover Electric Supply Company in reference to their opposition to House Bill 180.

Both letters were distributed to the Board members and read aloud during the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rob Smith asked, in reference to 12.11 of the proposed rules and regulations, for the Board to define “commercial” and specifically if a licensed Master Special Electrician can run a feeder when doing elevator work.

Mr. MacLennan stated that the term “commercial” should mean four or more units and advised that a Master Special Electrician can run a feeder from the elevator room and shaft.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 in the PSC Hearing Room on the first floor of the Cannon Bldg. 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover DE, depending on availability.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer L. Witte". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jennifer Witte
Administrative Specialist II